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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

ADDRESS TO:

Commissioner for Patents
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Attorney Docket No.: 00-245

Application No.: 09/707,708

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Filing Date: 11/7/00

First Named Inventor: Schuster, Guido M.

Group Art Unit: 2661

Examiner: to be assigned

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application to and including June 24, 2001.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

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|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | One Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Two Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | \$ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Three Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$890.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Four Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Five Months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | \$ |

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$

☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 13-2490. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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Signature

Date

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